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For: STIMULATION OF T CELLS AGAINST SELF ANTIGENS USING CTLA-4 BLOCKING AGENTS	) ) ) ) )

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Sir:

In satisfaction of the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants wish to draw the attention of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to the references cited on the accompanying form PTO-1449. Copies of the references are enclosed.

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Further, in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(c) and 1.97(e)(1), the undersigned certifies that references 3, 4 and 11-14 listed on the enclosed form PTO-1449 were cited in an International Search Report dated April 7, 2000 for a counterpart PCT application. The filing of the instant Information Disclosure Statement is within three months of the date of that International Search Report and, therefore, need not be accompanied by the fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). A copy of the International Search Report for the counterpart PCT application is also enclosed herewith.

Since copies of references 1, 2, 5-10, 15-20 were provided either by the Applicant or the Examiner in the following related U.S. Application; Serial No.08/760,288, filed December 4, 1996, upon which the instant application relies for its priority date, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), no copies of these references are enclosed.

None of the foregoing references is believed to disclose the invention as claimed. Nothing herein shall constitute an admission concerning the contents of any of the cited references, nor shall the inclusion of a reference herein be considered an admission that the reference constitutes prior art against the invention claimed in the above-identified application. Submission of the present document shall not be construed as an admission that a search has been made or that better art does not exist.

Although no fee is believed to be due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Our Order no. A-68668/RFT/TAL).

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